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E.O. 11652: XGDS-3

TAGS: PFOR, MILI, MO, US

SUBJECT: US MILITARY FACILITIES IN MOROCCO

REF: A. STATE 7401 (NOTAL) B. RABAT 776 (NOTAL)

1. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO UTILIZE FEBRUARY 14 AUDIENCE WITH KING HASSAN TO EXPRESS TO KING IN GENERAL TERMS OUR INTENT WITH RESPECT BOTH TO PHASEDOWN OF KENITRA AND INSTALLATION OF GEODSS STATION IN MOROCCO. NOTE THAT, AS HASSAN HIMSELF FORESAW, TECHNOLOGICAL IMPROVEMENTS HAVE RENDERED OUR FACILITIES AT KENITRA UNNECESSARY AND THAT IS THE SOLE REASON FOR OUR DECISION TO CLOSE THEM. YOU SHOULD COUCH GEODSS PROPOSAL IN TERMS THAT UNDERSCORE US DESIRE MAINTAIN PRESENCE AS VISIBLE REMINDER OF FIRM US SUPPORT FOR MOROCCO.

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2. TELL KING THAT YOU HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED DETAILED DESCRIPTIONS OF EITHER PROPOSAL BUT THAT YOU EXPECT TO BE ABLE TO PRESENT THEM TO HIS MAJESTY AT AN AUDIENCE WHICH YOU WILL REQUEST AFTER YOUR RETURN FROM AMMAN. REQUEST KING'S PRELIMINARY REACTION TO YOUR GENERALIZED APPROACH BEFORE YOU DEPART FOR AMMAN.

3. FYI. DEPARTMENT EXPLORING POSSIBILITY OF CONTINUED OPERATION OF COMMUNICATIONS SCHOOL IN LINE WITH YOUR CONCERNS BUT THIS ISSUE SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE RAISED

WITH HASSAN AT THIS TIME. IF HASSAN RAISES SUBJECT REPLY THAT YOU ARE UNABLE TO ADDRESS SPECIFICS IN ABSENCE OF DETAILED PROPOSALS.

4. WITH RESPECT TO POSSIBLE VISIT BY HASSAN TO U.S., YOU SHOULD TELL HIM YOU HAVE BEEN ASSURED THE NEW ADMINISTRATION IS AWARE OF HIS INTEREST. GIVEN MANY CHIEFS OF STATE WHO HAVE EXPRESSED SIMILAR INTEREST, NEED TO FOCUS INITIALLY ON MIDDLE EAST LEADERS DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN HELPING GET ARAB-ISRAELI NEGOTIATING PROCESS STARTED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE, AND PRESS OF BUSINESS ON MANY FRONTS, WE ARE SURE KING WILL UNDERSTAND WHY IT HAS NOT YET BEEN POSSIBLE TO DEAL WITH THIS QUESTION AT SUCH AN EARLY STAGE OF THE NEW ADMINISTRATION.
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